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SUBJECT: DESIGNATION AND TRAVEL OF NEW SECRETARY- GENERAL OF GOCAR FONMIN

- 1. BY DECREE APRIL 3 PRESENT FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL BENZOT HAS BEEN NAMED GOCAR AMBASSADOR TO CAMEROON AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA AND WILL BE REPLACED SHORTLY BY FRANCOIS FARRA- FROND. LATTER WAS SECRETARY- GENERAL IN MIN PLAN AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION UNTIL FEW MONTHS AGO AND HAS HELD ADMINISTRATIVE POST IN FONMIN SINCE THEN. HE TRAVELED TO U. S. ON STUDENT GRANT 1963 AND HAS RETURNED THERE ON OFFICIAL MISSION A FEW TIMES SINCE.
- 2. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED NOTE REQUESTING VISA FOR FARRA-FROND WHO IS "DESIGNATED TO CARRY OUT AN OFFICIAL ECONOMIC MISSION TO NEW YORK." WE UNDERSTAND HE DEPARTS BANGUI APRIL 6 FOR NEW YORK VIA DOUALA FOR APPROXIMATELY 25- DAY STAY IN U. S., BUT WE HAVE NO FURTHER INFO ON HIS MISSION AT THIS TIME.
- 3. FOR USUN: SINCE FARRA- FROND WILL OCCUPY KEY POSITION AND BE ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT CONTACTS HERE, WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COURTESIES WHICH CAN BE ACCORDED HIM. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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 $\operatorname{RM}\ \operatorname{FOR}\ \operatorname{YAOUNDE}:\ \operatorname{WILL}\ \operatorname{FORWARD}\ \operatorname{BIO}\ \operatorname{INFO}\ \operatorname{ON}\ \operatorname{BENZOT}$ SHORTLY. ROSENTHAL

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